AGRICULTURAL.

FENCE Posts .- There are people who have long believed that fence posts last longer if the top end is set in the ground. They have be lieved it without giving any reason for their belief except the fact that they have tried it. At last we have a reason given by one who has satisfied himself by experiment that the top end of a stick will last better in the ground than the butt-end. His experiments, need not be detailed here. They are conclusive, if facts,-But the reason is a novel one. It is: "It is moisture, for instance, that rots timber. Keep it dry and it is exempt from decay. There are many kinds of regetables that will propagate from the slip-for instance the current, willow, grape, &c. These, although separated from any connection with the root, continue to elevate the moisture from the earth, so as to cause their growth. Of course, the vessels of post timber, if placed in the ground according to the arrangements of nature, will elevate the moisture and keep the timber damp; but, if that order is reversed, it remains comparatively dry -hence the principal reason, no doubt, why a post lasts longer top downwards."

Prairie Farmer.

DRIED POTATOES .- We have been shown some potatoes, of the vam species, and crop of 1861, which are in a perfect state of preservation, and though hard, contain all their sweetness and nutriment. They were baked over two years ago, and then dried. Apparently they will remain sound for ah indefinite time. The experiment is suggestive in this time of scarcity, and perhaps could be turned to a good account. A half bushel of potatoes thus dried, could be carried readily in a soldier's haver-ack, and a little hot water would doubtless soften and prepare them for food.

The friend who exhibited these specimens to us, suggests that a cake made of potatoes, rice and parched curn, and well seasoned with pepper and sail, would be excellent rations for a long march. - Savannah Republican.

not provided with scales or weights, referring Mercy. to ingredients in general use by every housewife, Dr. Brown, subjoins to his paper a list, as follows :

WRIGHTS AND MEASURES. Wheat floor, I pound is I quart. Indian theal, I pound 2 onuces is I quart. Butter, when soft, I pound I ounce is I quart. Losf sugar, broken, I pound is I quart. White sugar, powdered, I pound I onnee is

1 quart.

Best brown sager, 1 pound 2 ounces is 1

Eggs, average size, 10 are 1 pound. LIQUID MEASURE. Sixteen tablespoonful are half a pint. Eight tablespoonsful are one gill. Four tablespoonsful are half a gill. A common sized tumbler holds half a pint. A common size wine gines holds half a gill.

How to Raise Easty Tomarers.-About the first of March, take a few large turnips and cut out the hearts of them, to form a sort of Fill the cavities with earth, and plant two or three tomato seeds in each. When the seeds have well sprouted, poil up all but the healthiest plant in each turnip, and let those that remain stand where they will have the banefit of the sun; the plant will grow very threfty—the decaying turnip furnishing it food. When the weather becomes sufficiently warm, set the turnips in well prepared soil, not less than three feet apart, make lath frames to keep the vines from the ground, and keep the soil well billed up around them, and you will have a crop that will astorish the natives. The adcontage consists in getting the plants started soir without setting them back in transplanting.

Curry Bury. By most of the modes now. a way, the beef becomes too much impregnated with salt, and is not, as a consequence, so fine for esting. By the following progress, this diffigure is prevented, and the beef will keep until the following spring: To eight gallens of water, aid two pounds of brown sugar, one quart of molasses, four ounces of saltpetre, and fine salt till it will float an egg. It has been repeatedly tried and found very fine.

Scurr on Mange on Carren.-Curry and brush the parts affected well, to remove the seur, then wash well with warm water and soap, and when dry, rub with a mixture of hog's lard. sulphur and spirits of tar. Wash clean, with water and soap, ank rub with ointment every second or third day till well.

Rotten sweet polatoes, it is said, will kill the cattle that eat them. Let the farmers make a note of it.

into the conscript office the other day who friend-abroad, an introduction-in solitude a pretended to be totally deaf. They tried all solace and in society an ornament. It chassorts of sudden and unexpected noises on him tons vice, it guides virtue; it gives at pace all to no purpose. Just as they were about to grace and government and genius. dismiss him a new plan occurred to one of the examining board. He took two silver quarters them."-Macon Confederacy.

SUNDAY READING.

"WENT ASIDE INTO A DESERT PLACE"

Social devotion is no substitute for closet duties, for only by secret communion with God are the best elements of character developed and matured. There is reason to fear that the multiplication of social meetings has drawn many away from secret prayer. Rev. J. C.

from their first ministerial work, our Lord "took them and went aside privately into a desert place." We cannot doubt that this was done with a deep meaning. It was meant to teach the great lesson, that those who do publie work for the souls of others, must be careful to make time for being alone with God.

The lesson is one that many Christians will do well to remember. Occas retirement, self inquiry, meditation and was communion with God, are absolutely essential to spiritual health. The man who neglects them is in great danger of a fall. To be always preaching, teaching, speaking, writing and working publickly is anguestiobably, a sign of zeal.

But it is not always a sign of zeal according to knowledge. It often leads to untowards consequences. We must make time occasionally for sitting down and calculy looking within, and examining how matters stand between our by his Excellency the Governor an egent to manufactown selves and Christ. The omission of the pure and sell a limited quantity of Alcohol and Whispractice is the true account of many a backshiding which shocks the church, and gives oceasien to the world to blaspheme. Many could say with sorrow, in the words of Canticles, "They made me keeper of the vinevards, but my own vineyard have I not kept."-Cant. it 6

FREE SEATS IN CHURCH.-The Arch Lishop of York has recently consecrated three churches in which all the seats are free. He highly approves the plan, and remarks that "while there were social distinctions which no one wished is remove, and which were quite right in ordipary life, these ought to be left behind at the door of the church, folden up like ambrellas, and all should appear before their Lord and

This action of the English Episcopalians, and the counter-progress of Churches in this been the rule, show how the world revolves in a circle.

God made the world to relieve an over-full creative thought as musicians sing, as we talk, fore the 19th instant. as artists shotch when fall of suggestions.-What profession is there in his work! When trees blossom there is not a single breast-pin, BRANCH OF THE BANK OF THE but a whole bosom full of getny; and of leaves. they have so many mits that they can throw them away to the winds all summer long. What unnumbered cathedrals has he reared in the forest shades, vast and grand, full of curious carvings and haunted evermore by trerankins music; and in the Heaven above, how do stars seem to have flown out of his hard, faster than sparks out of a mighty forge!

THE WORTH OF THE BIBLE. - Near the close of his life, Patrick Henry laid his hand on the Bilds, and said to a friend: "Here is a book worth more than all others; yet it is my misfortune never to have read it with proper attention until lately."

Wm. Pitt, when he came to die, said: "I fear that, like many others, I neglected my religious duties too much to have one ground of hope that can be efficacious on my death bed."

The Salibath is the green casis, the little | the above day, will be liable to a double tax. grassy meadow in the wilderness, when, after the week days' journey, the pilgrim halts for refreshment and repose; where he rests beneath the shade of the lofty palm trees, and dips his ressel in the waters of the calm, clear is the name of the proper owner. Guardians, Execustream, and receives his strength to go forth again upon his pilgrimage in the desert with renewed vigor and cheerfulness.

Robt. Hall was once asked what he thought of an elegant sermon, which had created a great sensation, "Very fine, sir," he replied, "but a man can't cat flowers."

DON'T FAIL TO EDUCATE CHILDREN - If amid the excitement and tumult of war, the education of your children is neglected, the whole nation will resp the bitter fruits of this negligence for many years to come The boys that are now runing wild about the streets, will in a few years have control of the country, and will have the management of all affairs both in Church and State. A very heavy responsibility then rests upon parents and guardians of the present day if they do not educate them in such a manner as to prepare them for the important places they will have to fill in the future destiny of the country. Education is a companion which no misfortune can depress, no crime can How Ther Gor Him. - A fellow was brought destroy, no despotism custave. At home, a

The Paris Presse computes the population of and rattled them behind him. No sooner was the globe at one thousand millions, speaking the sound made than the fellow turned round three thousand and sixty four languages, and and exclaimed, "I'll give ye ten dollars fur having eleven hundred" different forms of re-

NOTICE TO MANUFACTURERS OF KERSHAW DISTRICT.

N Pursuance of the instructions of the Comparoller General of the State, "The Soldiers Board of Relief," of Kershaw District, has decided that spirits of turpenline, terebene, ravin, shoes, cooper's wares, including barrels, wagons, carts, weavers sleys, cabinet famiture, sawed lumber, hewed lumber, and shingles, are manufactures within the meaning of the act of the Legislature of December 1863, and the makers of such articles are Ryle gives some important hints on this point : made liable, by said act, to pay to the said Board, a We are told that when the apostles returned tax in kind of five per cent, on all such articles made within the year 1863, for sale, barter or exchange

All Manu'acturers of such articles, in Kershaw District, m. de in 1863, for sale, barter or exchange, are required forthwith to render to the undersigned a statement in writing of all such products, and to pay the tax thereon, on or before 20th March mat. The Board has appointed Mr. Dunlap and the undersigned a committe to commute the sald taxes in kind for a

The Board earnestly requests the owners of Grist Mills to make ther returns. By order of the Board. J. M. DESAUSSCRE,

Chairmán.

HEADQUARTERS.

COMMISSARY GENERALS DEPARTMENT, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Feb. 27, 1863. R. D. D. HOCOTT, Camden, having executed and VI filed his Bond in this Department, on the 16th February 1864, in compliance with the requisition of an Act to amend an Act, entitle an Act, to suppress, the undne distillation of spirituous liquors, in this State, passed 17th December 1863, is hereby appointed key, in Kershaw District, to regularly practising Physicians, and registered Druggists of said District, for

All other persons distribling in Kershaw District, are doing so in direct violation of the Law, and are amenable to its penalities

It is the duty of all leaders of patrol to report all such persons, and of all Magistrates to seize, and suppress their stills

By order of the Governor, RICHARD CALDWELL, Lt. Col and Commissary General S. C. March 4

BANK OF CAMBEN SO. CA.

Merch 3, 1861.

"THIS Bank, concurring in the action of the meeting I of Delegates of the Banks of this state, held at Columbia, on the I't instant, in relation to to the late HOUSEHOLD MEASURES.—As all families are God as perfectly equal, as sinners seeking His Conency Act will continue to receive deposits of Treasury notes, notic the 12th instant, and pay out each Currency, for all deposits, cortificates of deposit, divident speciecks and other demands, until the 19th inst; and after that day, to save their depositors, and country with which "free scats" have heretofore others the tax of thirty-three and one third per cent to he levied on all the outfamiling Ou rency, on the lat April next, will proceed to invest the amounts, unpatd on the 19th inst, in the four per cent bands, provided for in said urrency Act. Those who do not wish this done, will of course, notfall to draw their belances be-

medical purposes

W. E. JOHNSON, President.

STATE SO. CA.

Campus, March 3 1964

LL persons having claims upon this Bank for de-A posits, cortificates of deposit, checks, &c., are bereby notified to present their claims and receive payment thereof on or before the 19th inst.

After that date, this Bank will invest the Tresury notes, remaining in its possession in four per cent bonds and will pay depositors, and others in such W. M. SHANNON. President.

NOTICE.

Li. persons having claims against the Estate A of R. J. Gardner ceed, will present the same duly attested to me, as early as possenic, and all those in debted to the estate will make payment to me at an J. R. THORY, early day.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

THE State tax books will be opened on Tuesday! May, All persons falling to make returns on or before

All tax payers who own hands are required to come prepared to give the number of hands between the ages of twe've and fifteen, and fifteen fifty five, and fifty five and sixty five, undes a penalty of one hunt deed dollars for each hand. Property to be returned tors, and Administrators will return property under their control. Persons having transferred property between the 1st October, 1862 and 1st October 1863, will make it known to me

Persons at home are requested to give in taxes of relations in the army. Owing to the difficulty in getting small bills, parties must come, prepared to make tacir own change as near as possible, as it will be impossible for me to accommodate them with change, WM. McKAIN, T. C K. D. Feb. 26

Dr. J. McCaa & Dr. B. H. Matheson. OFFICE-TWO DOORS ABOVE THE BRANCH

BR. JNO. MCCAA. January 29

DR. IL H. MATHESON.

NOTICE. CAPT W. E. HUGHSON will not as my Agent for the transaction of all business in reference to Insurance Agency, during my absence in the service. W. L. DEPASS. January 22

NOTICE.

1) M. BROWN is my inhorised agent during my D. absence f.om home. February 12

SAM LETCHE

WILD be at his stable at the Hermitage the en-Terms-Fifty Dollars the Season, payable in ad-. February 12

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

TOTICE is hereby given that Confederate notes, of all denominations, will be received, in payment of State taxes, until the 31st in t. After that date, payment must be made rither in the new bills, or in five dollar notes. W. MCKAIN, T. C. K. D.

ADJUTANT AND INSP. GEN'S, OFFICE, 7 RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 4, 1864.

GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 14. THE following order is published for the information of all concerned :

CONVEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA, WAR DEPARTMENT RICHMOND, Feb. 1, 1864.

1. All prisoners heretofore held by the United States authorities, whether officers, soldiers or civilians, received at City Point, before the 1st of January, 1864, are hereby declared exchanged.

2 all officers and men of the Vicksburg capture who reported for duty at Enterprise, Miss., at any time prior to the 14th of November, 1863, and whose names were forwarded to me by Maj. Gen. John H. Forney, are declared exchanged.

3. All officers and men of the Vicksburg capture. belonging to the 1st Tennessee Heavy Artillery, who reported for duty at Marietta, Ga, and whose names were forwarded to me by Col. A. Jackson, are declared exchanged. RO. OULD. Agent of Exchange

By order (Signed) / *

S. COOPER.

Adj't and Insp. Gen'l. Confederate newspaper publish six times, and send bills to the War Department. February 12

MEDICAL NOTICE.

N conformity with what has been done in other parts of the State, our fees for the present year will be generally doubled.

> L. H. DEAS, M. D. D. L DESAUSSURE, M. D., B. H. MATHESON, M. D., JOHN McCAA, M. D., W. R. SYKES, M. D.

Pebruary 5

LOST.

N the cars between Camden and Claremont, a Buckskin PURSE, containing a note for \$67 bo, on J. D. Pinkins, drawn payable to J. W. Buckner or hearer. The public is warned against trading for said note, bearing date, December 6, 1863, as payment is stopped on the same.

REAL ESTATE SALE.

South Carolina—Kershaw District.

DY order of Alexander McDonald, Ordinary for D Kershaw District, I will sell at public outcry, to the highest bolder, at the Court House in Camden, on the first Monday in March next (sale day): Two small Tracts of Lard, belonging to the estate of Hardy Taorn, d coased. Said land or tracts sold for division; and a tract containing 88 acre, more or less, lying and situate on the head waters of Pine Tree Creek; the second tract, confaining 58 acres, more or less, lying on the head waters of Beaver Dam Branch, both joining lands of Charles Perkins and others. Terms cash,

purchasers to pay for papers.

February 5 S DUNCAN SHEORN, S. K. D.

NEGROES FOR HIRE.

OR the year, a likely fellow, a complete gardener. -ALSO-Two wimen-A Washer, Ironer and Semistress

WM. M SHANNON. 200 DOLLARS REWARD

THE above reward will be paid for the d the rescal who cut the gin-band of the selectiber. on Saturday night last. Persons owning shoe shops will please keep an eye on all sole leather sent to their

SUTHERLAND & LEMMOND.

Febr nary 5

TAXES. DARTIES who have unde returns of Income Tax wifere profits on produce (raised by the tax-payer)' and also real estate, Assarbien a turned, are requisted to call at this office and have the same revised and corrected, in conformity with recent instructions from the Commissioner of Taxes. Those who have made no returns of Income or Regustry Tax, including sales. for last year, sud the Specific Tax for this year, will give attention to this, or they ma, find a double tar the result of their neglect.

A. M. KENMEDY. Collector C. W. T. January 19

ORDENARY'S NOTICE.

LL those who have not made angual returns of I the estates entrusted to them as administrators or executors, will do well to make their annual returns of the same by the last day of February, 1864, as the Ordinary's Office will not be open after that date, only on Mondays and Fridays, until the end of the year. ALEX. L. McDQNALD, Q K. D.

February 12

STRAYED OR STOLES

ROM the subscriber, nine miles above Camden, on the Lancaster Road, three Milch Cows, two Dry Cows and two Yearlings, marked the figure 7 in the right ear and a swallow fock and underbit in the left. It is believed that the above cattle have been stolen, at the mileh cows left their calves at home. A liberal reward will be paid for information that will lead to their recovery, or for the detection of the thief, if stolen. JAMES LOVE. February 5

NOTICE.

A LL ersons having claims against the estate co A J no Wilson, deceased, will present the same duly attest . to me, and all persons indebted to said catate will please make payment to me of their respective ! Sebtedness, at an early day.

HUCKABER January 1 Administrator.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

CAMDEN DEPOT, Feb. 27, 1864. THE attention of passengers is respectfully requested to the following regulations, which have become indispensably, necessary in view, of the impossibility of precuring change:

ist. They will prepare the proper change for the purchase of their tickets, at the ticket office.

2. No one will be allowed to occupy a seat, without exhibiting a ticket, at the door of the car. H. T. PEAK Gen. Sup't.

March 4

WANTED.

COMPETENT Business man, to act as my agen? A for the District of Kershaw, not liable to Military duty in the Confederate army.

JAMES SOWERS, A. Q. M. Address Florence, S. C.